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"When a man of action dies, the world will pause a moment, pay tribute to his work and achievment, and pass on; but the sevenberation of that man's impact with the world continues. It must be great to be a pioneer, to be a guiding star, to point the way. Men of this type can not die. They make their own path and they leave a trail."-C. V. Mosby.



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Whose Sacrifices in my Early Youth and Precepts in Royhood Days Guided my Ambitions and Education. This Book, in Affection and Gratitude, it Dedicated.

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PREFACE

E VERY state has its hall of fame. These halls of fame are not built of rock and mortar but exist in the hearts of the people. They are more enduring than hardest granite because they are part of the history of this nation. In them are enshrined the lives of those great men and women who have helped civilization.

Missouri can well be proud of her sons and daughters who have won fame. She ranks high in the number and the character of her famous men and women. She has sent to Congress statesmen of national renown. She has produced artists and authors of worth. More than any other state did she send forth her hardy men to explore and settle the West. She gave to the nation journalists of ability and courage. She has borne reformers and scientists, whose work will live. Her soldiers have cast glory on their patriotic people.

The lives of these men should be familiar to every Missouri schoolboy and girl. Missouri is truly great in men and women. No state excels her considering years, for she is not a century old.

It seems regrettable that the lives of these men are not more widely known. No book devoted exclusively to this subject has been published for use in the public schools. To partially remedy this, has "Missouri's Hall of Fame—Lives of Eminent Missourians" been written.

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